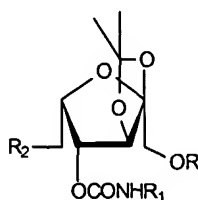


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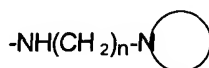
Cancel claims 1-4 and 7-14.

5. (Currently Amended) A process, ~~according to claim 1,~~ for preparing compounds of Formula I:



FORMULA I

and ~~their~~ its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, esters, enantiomers, diastereomers, N-oxides, amides, ~~prodrugs, metabolites or polymorphs,~~ wherein R is C₁ to C₁₅ alkyl, alkene, alkyne (straight chain or branched), aryl, substituted aryl or alkylaryl and R₁ is methyl, phenyl o-, m- or p-chlorophenyl, tolyl, methoxyphenyl or nitrophenyl and R₂ is H, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl or hexamethyleneimino or a radical of the formula NHR₃, wherein R₃ is C₁ to C₁₅ alkyl, alkene or alkyne (straight chain or branched) or a radical of Formula III:



FORMULA III

wherein n is ~~a whole number up~~ 2 to 5 and

